

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

NEW MEXICO UNITED FOOD AND
COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNION'S AND
EMPLOYERS' HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
FUND, on behalf of itself and all others similarly
situated,

Plaintiff : 07-CV-6916 (JGK)

v. : Electronically Filed

PURDUE PHARMA L.P., *et al.*,

Defendants.

**ABBOTT'S JOINDER IN PURDUE DEFENDANTS' SECOND
NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY IN SUPPORT OF
THEIR MOTION FOR JUDGMENT ON THE PLEADINGS**

The points raised in the Purdue Defendants' Second Notice of Supplemental Authority in Support of Their Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings similarly justify the dismissal of Plaintiff's claims against Abbott Laboratories and Abbott Laboratories, Inc. (collectively "Abbott"), and Abbott hereby joins in and incorporates by reference Purdue's arguments.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth Purdue's Second Notice of Supplemental Authority in Support of Their Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings, as well as the reasons stated in the Memorandum in Support of Abbott's Motion to Dismiss, and Abbott's Reply Brief, Abbott requests that the Court dismiss with prejudice all of Plaintiff's claims asserted against Abbott.

Dated: New York, New York
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Respectfully submitted,

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I, Michael Hartmere, hereby certify that on the 17th day of June, 2008, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Joinder in Pudue Defendants' Second Notice of Supplemental Authority in Support of Their Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings to be served through the CM/ECF system, and by e-mail, upon the following:

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